

1609

Baptists were founded.

1609 - 1610

"Starving Time" in James Fort  
more than two thirds of the  
215 colonists perished from  
hunger, disease, and Indian  
attacks

80% of settlers sent between  
1607 and 1625 died during that  
period. Of the 6000 settlers the

London-based Virginia Co. sent to  
Jamestown between 1607 & 1625, 4,800  
died

Settlers ate cats, dogs, horses, rats  
and snakes

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Galileo also developed his own refractor telescope for astronomical studies

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Galileo used the newly invented telescopes to see the moon's craters in 1609

1610 He observed the satellites of Jupiter.

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### Half Moon

now in employ of the Dutch, Henry Hudson, tried to sail north of Russia again.

He gave up when his crew mutinous insisted, so he now set his course on a more southwesterly route. He sailed his ship the Half Moon across the Atlantic, along the Eastern Seabord of America, and into

New York Harbor along the Hudson River.  
At one point he threw a party for several of  
the leaders of the Delaware & Mohican Indians.  
He travelled to Albany before concluding  
that upstate New York was not the  
Gateway to China.

The Dutch Claimed the Hudson  
River Valley.

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Kepler put out his laws  
of planetary motion

1609-1616

Blue Mosque  
Mosque, Istanbul, built  
1609-1616, to be largest and  
finest in the world, with  
six minarets, cupola and  
four half-domes.

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When Galileo turned his primitive telescope to the sky in 1609, he saw things which men had hardly dreamed were there. He found mountains on the moon; he soon saw that Venus had moonlike phases which proved its sun-centered orbit.

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the Pilgrims (Mayflower) went  
to Holland from England.  
but when Holland was about  
to go to war with Spain,  
they decided (some of them) to  
go to the New World. More  
stayed than left.

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Galileo Galilei (Italy) and  
Johannes FABRICIUS (Holland)  
independently observe sunspots  
to be part of the Sun, disproving  
Aristotle's contention that  
the Sun is unchanging  
and free of "imperfections".